UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

DENNIS TOMOSON,

Petitioner,

v.

RICHARD MORGAN, ELDON VAIL, ANNE ADAMS, MARGE LITTRELL, and ROBERT PIVER,

Respondents.

NO. CV-05-0112-MWL

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Magistrate Judge Leavitt filed a Report and Recommendation on November 4, 2005, recommending that Plaintiff's Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment claims, alleging violations of the Due Process Clause and the Equal Protection Clause, should be dismissed from this action. (Ct. Rec. 52).

On November 16, 2005, Plaintiff filed timely objections to the Report and Recommendation. (Ct. Rec. 58). Plaintiff's objection provides allegations of "rampant abuse within WDOC under their infraction system and its implimation [sic]." (Ct. Rec. 58, p. 4). Plaintiff's "additional evidence" consists of examples of other inmates and their disciplinary experiences, Plaintiff's perception of Superintendent Richard Morgan's "'Shoot to Kill' policy," and Plaintiff's interaction with staff following his request for the ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION - 1

disclosure of information. However, Plaintiff's objections do not specifically address the analysis set forth in the November 4, 2005, report and recommendation. Rather, Plaintiff's objection provides examples of alleged WDOC staff abuse.

Plaintiff's allegations do not support the existence of a liberty interest in remaining free from segregation; therefore, Plaintiff fails to state a claim for relief under section 1983 for deprivation of procedural due process stemming from his placement in segregation. In addition, Plaintiff was notified of the reasons for his placement in segregation, a disciplinary hearing was held, and the hearing took place only 11 days following his placement in segregation. Accordingly, Plaintiff received all of the due process he may have been entitled to under federal law. Plaintiff's complaint further contains no allegations demonstrating that he was intentionally discriminated against or that he was a part of any suspect class. Plaintiff has thus not alleged facts that give rise to a claim for relief under section 1983 for denial of equal protection.

Having reviewed the Report and Recommendation (Ct. Rec. 52) and Plaintiff's objections to the Report and Recommendation (Ct. Rec. 58), said Report and Recommendation is **ADOPTED** in its entirety.

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IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' motion to dismiss Plaintiff's claims (Ct. Rec. 11) be GRANTED and that Plaintiff's Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment claims, alleging violations of the Due Process Clause and the Equal Protection Clause, be DISMISSED from this action. IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Executive shall forward a copy of this order to Plaintiff and counsel. **DATED** this 20th day of December, 2005. <u>S/Edward F. Shea</u>

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE